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In the Claims:

Claims 1-16 (CANCELLED)

17. (ORIGINAL) A currency bill comprising:

a currency substrate;

a patterned, bill specific metallization layer adhesively applied over a portion of a surface of the currency substrate, wherein the patterned, bill specific metallization layer had been ink jet patterned with an ink having an etchant or etchant-resistant mask and etched to form a bill specific metallization layer having a pattern; and

a substantially translucent protective layer that had received the metallization layer thereon.

18. (ORIGINAL) A currency bill according to Claim 17, and further comprising a hologram or kinegram formed at the pattern.

Claims 19-40 (CANCELLED)

Please add new Claims 41-59 as follows:

41. (NEW) A currency bill according to claim 17 wherein said metallization layer comprises a vacuum metallized layer.

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42.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 17 wherein said currency substrate comprises flexible paper.

43.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 17 and further comprising an adhesive layer applied over the metallization layer for securing the metallization layer and protective layer onto the currency substrate.

44.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 43 wherein said adhesive layer comprises a heat activated adhesive.

45.   (NEW)   A currency bill comprising:

a currency substrate; and

a metallization layer applied over a portion of a surface of the currency substrate and having been etched to form a unique bill specific identification for the bill on which it is applied.

46.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 45 wherein said bill specific identification comprises a unique bill specific pattern formed by etching.

47.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 45 wherein said bill specific identification further comprises a hologram or kinegram.

48.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 45 and further comprising a substantially translucent protective layer received on the metallization layer.

49. (NEW) A currency bill according to claim 45 wherein said metallization layer comprises a vacuum metallized layer.

50. (NEW) A currency bill according to claim 45 wherein said currency substrate comprises flexible paper.

51. (NEW) A currency bill according to claim 45 and further comprising an adhesive layer applied over the metallization layer for securing the metallization layer onto the currency substrate.

52. (NEW) A currency bill according to claim 51 wherein said adhesive layer comprises a heat activated adhesive.

53. (NEW) A currency bill comprising:

a currency substrate; and

a bill specific metallization layer adhesively applied on the substrate , said metallization layer having been ink jet patterned with an ink having an etchant-resistant mask, and said metallization layer having been subsequently etched in those areas without mask to form a unique bill specific identification for the bill on which it is applied.

54. (NEW) A currency bill according to claim 53 wherein said bill specific identification further comprises a hologram or kinegram.

55.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 53 and further comprising a substantially translucent protective layer received on the metallization layer.

56.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 53 wherein said metallization layer comprises a vacuum metallized layer.

57.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 53 wherein said currency substrate comprises flexible paper.

58.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 53 and further comprising an adhesive layer applied over the metallization layer for securing the metallization layer onto the currency substrate.

59.   (NEW)   A currency bill according to claim 58 wherein said adhesive layer comprises a heat activated adhesive.